

A RESOLUTION

01-R-1456

BY COUNCILMEMBER SHERRY DORSEY

AS SUBSTITUTED BY FINANCE/EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE FULTON COUNTY TAX COMMISSIONER TO ESTABLISH AN INSTALLMENT PAYMENT PLAN FOR THE PAYMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES FOR LOW INCOME SENIOR CITIZENS AGE 65 AND OLDER RESIDING IN THE CITY OF ATLANTA WITH \$40,000 OR LESS IN ANNUAL INCOME; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, based on the 1990 Census, senior citizens constitute about 15% of the City's population; and

WHEREAS, many of these aging adults and long-time innercity residents live in poverty with income of \$40,000 or less; and

WHEREAS, many low-income residents and senior citizens residing in the City of Atlanta with \$40,000 or less in annual income are experiencing extreme financial difficulties because of gentrification and other rising living costs; and

WHEREAS, the rising costs of utilities, prescription drugs, medical care, and housing have adversely impacted the quality of life of senior residents such as Mr. Howard Dobbs in Council District 5, who is finding that it is increasingly difficult to maintain a decent living standard with inflationary cost of living; and

WHEREAS, the Atlanta City Council wants to take an active interest in assisting senior citizens to meet their needs and concerns.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: The Fulton County Tax Commissioner is hereby requested to establish an installment payment plan for the payment of property taxes for low income senior citizens age 65 and older residing in the City of Atlanta with \$40,000 or less in annual income.

SECTION 2: The Tax Commissioner is further requested that Residents who earn \$40,000 or less in income that take advantage of this provision and keep their installment payments current will not become the subject of third party fi.fa. transfers and taxes sales conducted by the county.

SECTION 3: The Municipal Clerk is directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the Fulton County Commission, The Fulton County Tax Commissioner and the County Manager of Fulton County.

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Sherry Dorsey
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A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO DEVELOP AN INSTALLMENT PAYMENT PLAN FOR LOW INCOME SENIOR CITIZENS RESIDING IN THE CITY OF ATLANTA WITH \$40,000 OR LESS IN ANNUAL INCOME TO PAY THEIR PROPERTY TAXES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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WHEREAS, the Atlanta City Council wants to take an active interest in assisting senior citizens to meet their needs and concerns.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, that the Mayor or his designee is hereby requested to develop an installment payment plan for low income senior citizens residing in the City of Atlanta with \$40,000 or less in annual income to pay their property taxes.